

# Highlights of the 2005 State of the Region

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### **Overall Approach**

- Guided by the Benchmarks Task Force
- Build on the previous assessment of the 1990s
- Focus on 2000-2004 change, particularly during 2004
- Assess whether our region achieved absolute improvements
- Assess how our region performed relative to other large metropolitan regions

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### 2005 Report Issue Areas

- 1. Population
- 2. The Economy
- 3. Housing
- 4. Transportation
- 5. The Environment
- 6. Education
- 7. Safety



#### **Overview of Findings**

- 1. Fast population growth with major demographic transformations.
- 2. Achieved the first meaningful job growth in 2004 of 90,000 (1.3 percent) since 2000.
- 3. Achieved the first gains in 2004 in real per capita income and median household income since 2000.
- 4. Issued the largest number of residential permits but with record home prices and the lowest level of housing affordability since 1989.

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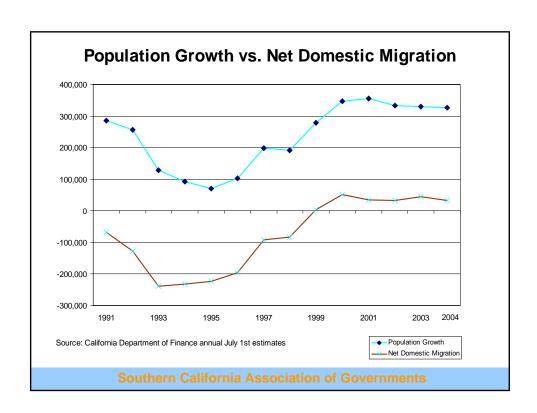
#### **Overview of Findings (cont'd)**

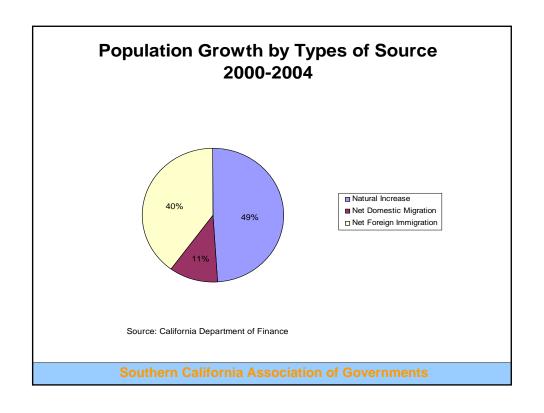
- 5. Continued to have the highest level of congestion with carpooling share of work trips dropping by 3 percent since 2000 and corresponding increases in drive-alone commuting.
- 6. Continued to exceed the federal air quality standards but with noticeable improvements in Ozone, PM10 and PM2.5 partly due to much milder weather.
- 7. Little progress in student test scores and dropout rates but with improvements in educational attainment since 2000.
- 8. Continuing decline in violent crime rate but with the first slight increase in juvenile felony arrest rate since 1990.

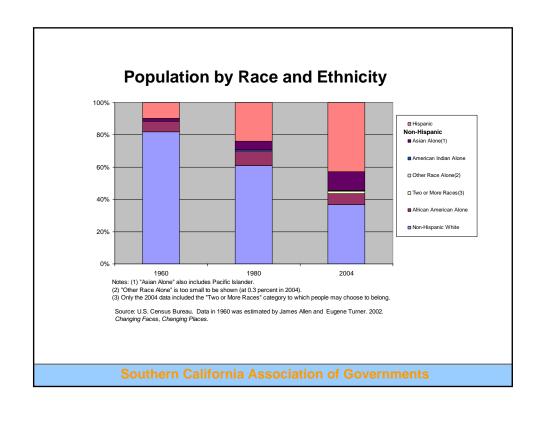


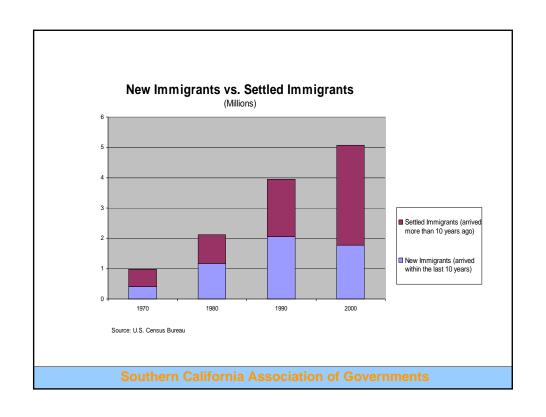
## **Population**

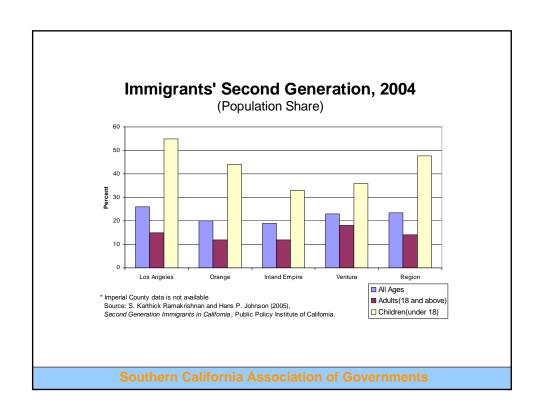
# Growth Characteristics Demographic Dynamics







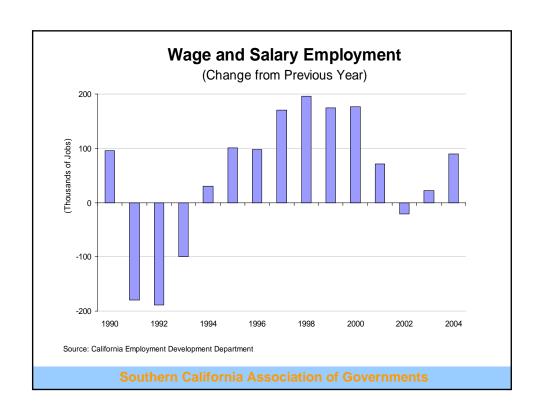


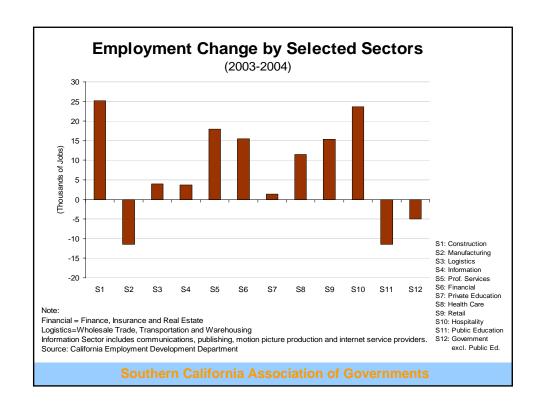


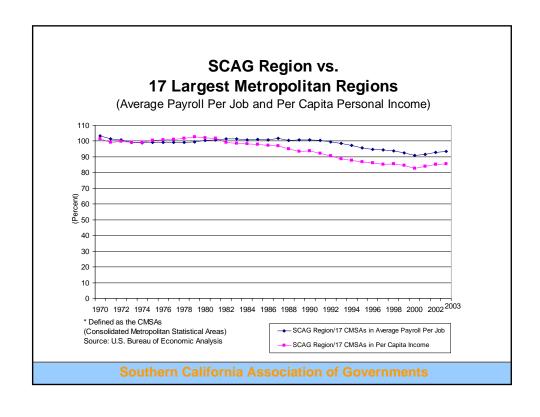


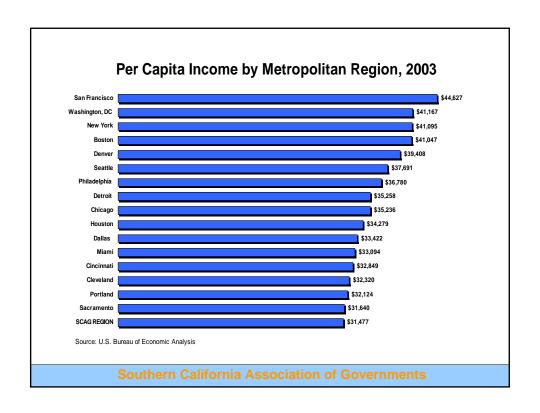
# **Economy**

# **Employment Income**











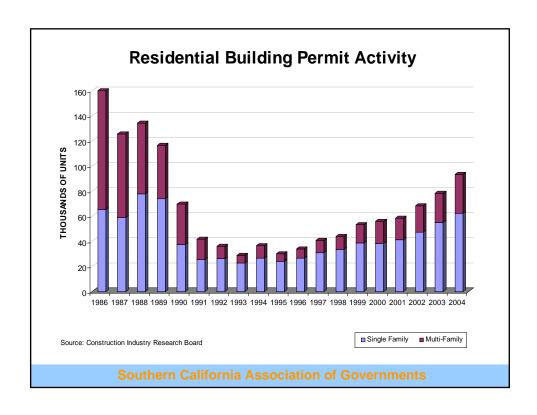
### **Poverty rates**

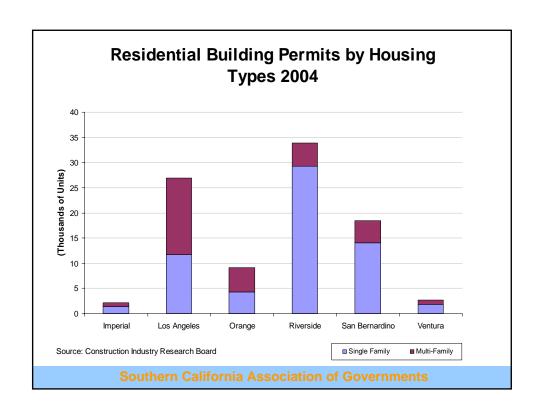
- More than 14% with little change from 2003
- Remained higher than the state (13.3%) and the nation (13.1%)

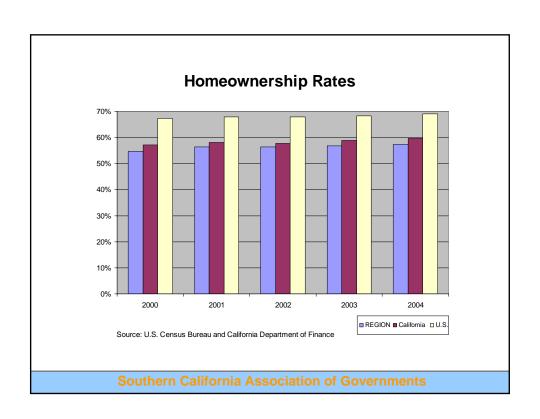


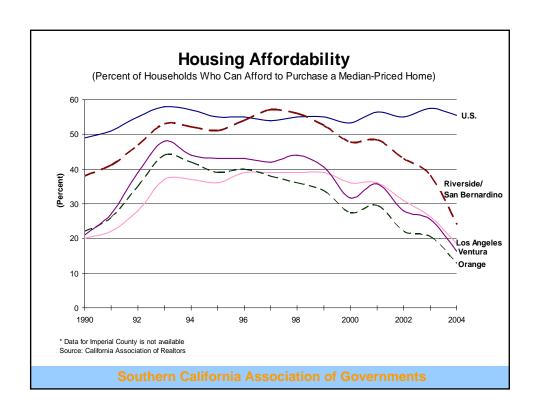
## Housing

Housing construction
Homeownership rates
Housing affordability
Crowded housing







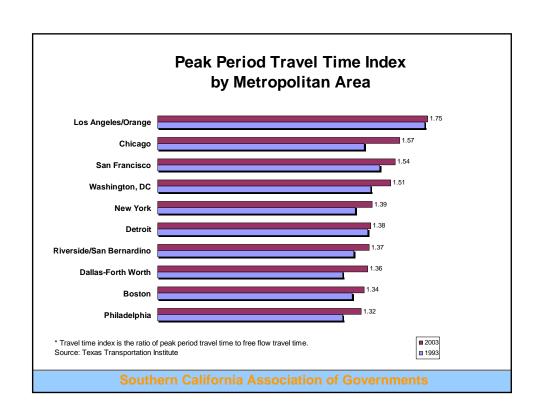


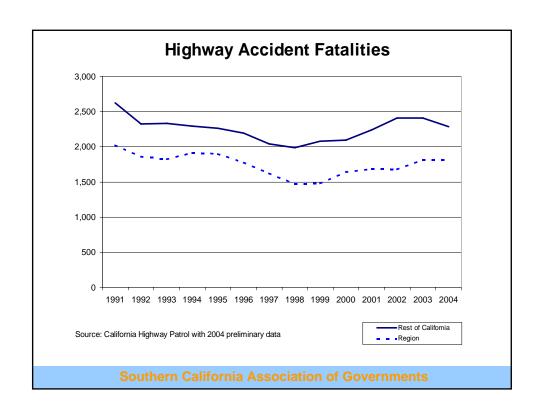


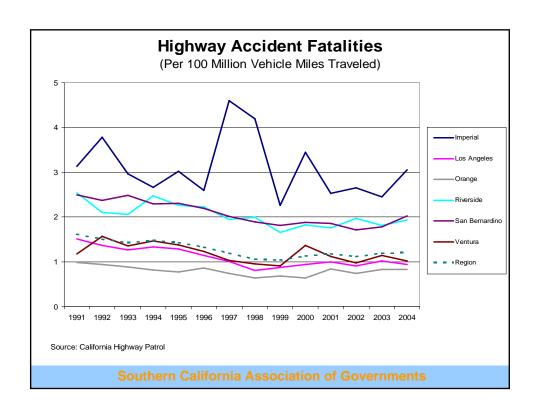
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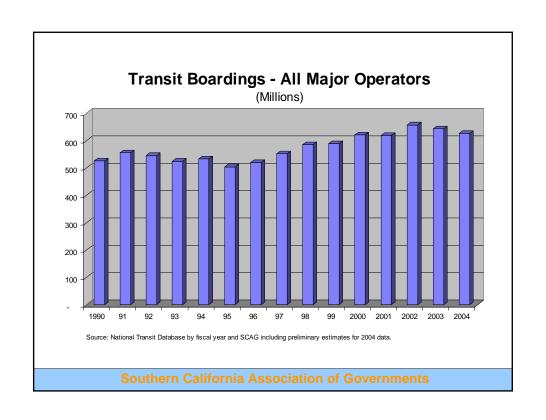
Congestion
Highway fatalities
Transit boardings
Mode choices for work trips

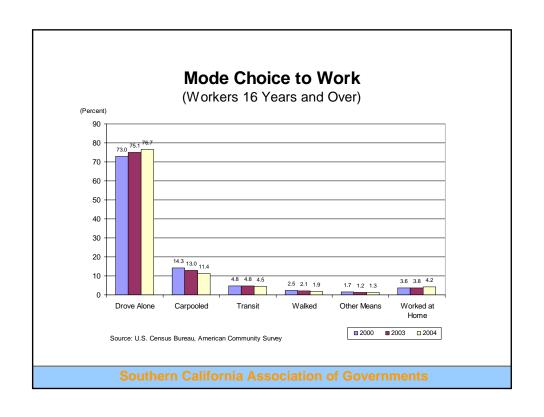










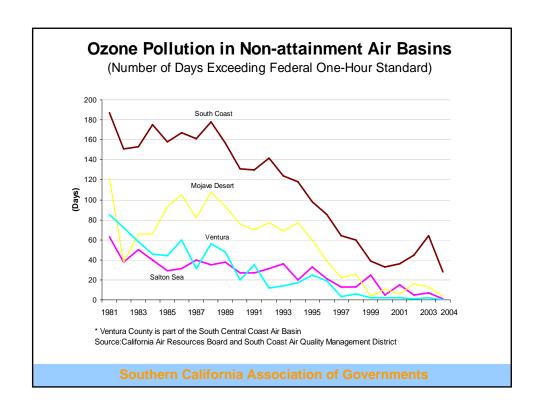


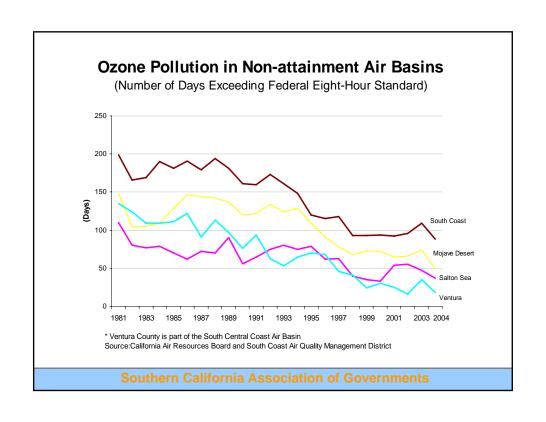


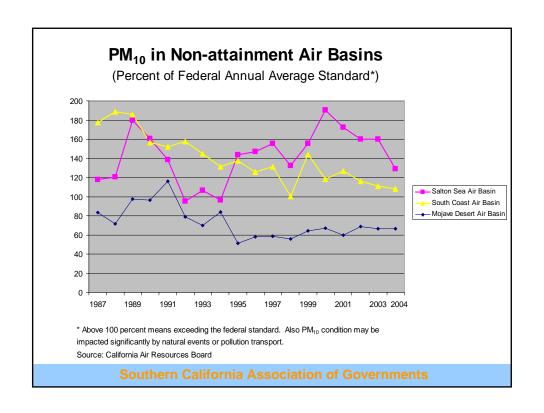
### **Environment**

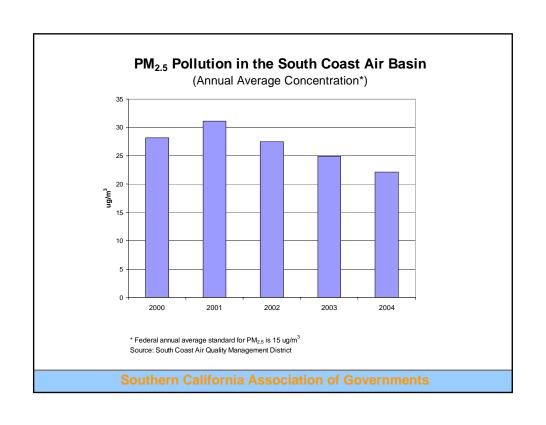
# Air Quality Water Resources Solid Waste













### **State of the Region Report Card**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>Employment</b>	B+	В	B-	В	В
Income	C	C	C-	C-	C
Housing	C-	D+	D+	D	D
Mobility	D	D	D-	D-	F
Air Quality	В	B-	C	C-	C
Education	D	D	D	D	D
Safety	B+	В	В	В	В

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### **End of Presentation**

Thank You! Questions?

**Comments?**